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Gravlin Bound Over To Court

By DAVE PHILPO
Towship Editor

William G. Gravlin, accused of first-degree murder in the ax and shotgun slayings of his family of seven in Troy, has been bound over to Oakland County Circuit Court for arraignment.

He will appear in the county court at 1:30 p.m. Monday before Judge Charles Losey. His attorney, Robert E. Rann of Royal Oak, said he would ask for a jury trial for his client.

The defense attorney did not reveal what plea he will enter at the arraignment.

However, at Monday's examination before Troy Municipal Judge Charles Losey, Rann continued to lay the groundwork for a plea of insanity, or at least temporary insanity.

"Please forgive me and let me just be you . . ."
The last words of the note to Mrs. Gravlin, scrawled on a torn scrap of paper toweling, was illegible, according to Fisher.

THE POIGNANT message to Gravlin's five-year-old daughter, Sue, found on a bathroom shelf, "State, I love you with all my heart."

Salary Study Report Goes To Hills B-E

The findings of a three-month study of teachers' salaries in the Bloomfield Hills School District will be presented to the board of education Tuesday night.

A three-man subcommittee, headed by Dr. George Sewell, a patron of the school district, will also refer to the board recommendations of the teachers' salary study committee.

Other members of the subcommittee and also patrons of the district are Tom Brogan and Philip Bartlett.

The salary study committee, during its deliberations, studied salary schedules of comparable school systems throughout Michigan in an effort to make certain the schedule adopted in the Hills district will directly afford the best educational benefits for its students.

THE COMMITTEE, chaired by school board trustee Max Miller, is expected to recommend an incentive-type program that will attract and hold good teachers.

During the last three months the group has reviewed intricate schedules from school districts in Michigan and other parts of the country.

The committee is composed of teachers, patrons of the district, members of the board of education and the school administration.

On the bodies of each of the other five victims were similar scraps of paper with their names and " . . . I'm sorry."

The Bentley children—Ben, 17, Judith, 16, Dorrie, 15, Paul, 12, and Walter, 10—were Mrs. Gravlin's by a former marriage.

Det. Lt. Wallace Van Stratt of the Michigan State Police crime laboratory, said he compared the notes with handwriting specimens taken from Gravlin in Oakland County Jail and "they were written by one and the same person."

of Madison Heights said he first saw Gravlin at 7:55 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, walking down a dirt road that leads from the home to John R.

"I asked him what had happened," Penrice said. "He said he had killed his family."

According to Penrice, Gravlin told him he "didn't want to go back to the house," but wanted to go to the police station.

The patrolman described Gravlin as "reasonably calm" during the encounter.

MADISON HEIGHTS police as-

sisted in the arrest of Gravlin and discovery of the bodies. Troy's patrol cars were all busy with accident calls at the time.

Rann objected to introduction of a blood-stained ax as evidence because it was taken from the house without a search warrant. He also maintained that the handwriting samples should not be used because Gravlin was "not advised of his constitutional rights" at the time they were taken.

Later Rann refused to release the results of examinations conducted by Ann Arbor psychiatrists last week.



SOMERSET PARK AT COOLIDGE AND MAPLE
320 apartment units in two-story buildings

Firm Starts Construction On \$50 Million Complex

By LARRY EVOE
City Editor

Construction has begun on the first phase of the proposed \$50,000,000 apartment business complex at the corners of Maple and Coolidge, Troy.

This and That

by George R. Averill

In the recent election two political parties comprised the vast majority of voters. They are Democrats and Republicans; the top Democrats support policies of the labor-socialist movement; the Republicans support conservatism.

The first seeks to create Big Government in Washington, D.C.; the second wants to restore more of government to the states and local units. The Democratic drift is toward the elimination of free enterprise which ideology has always resulted in the loss of a nation's liberty and freedom. The Republicans want to retain and further develop the tried and true economic, social and civic policies that are the foundations of the American Way of Life. Let us hope that both sides will be forced to discard their present names and really assume what they now stand for: Labor-Socialism vs. Progressive Conservatism! Let the voters really know what they are voting for!

Purchase of Cash Registers Approved

Birmingham city commissioner Monday night authorized the purchase of two cash registers for use at the new golf course.

James H. Purkiss, director of finance, estimated the machines would cost about \$2,000. The commissioners must approve any purchase that exceeds \$1,000, under the city charter.

Safety Patrols Receive Tips In Workshop

The first system-wide workshop for elementary school safety patrols has been announced by Supt. John Blackhall Smith. Designed to help in their training, patrols and their sponsors from all public and nonpublic school in the Birmingham Public School System area have been invited to attend.

A meeting will be held for sponsors at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday in the second-floor teachers room at Seaboard High School. Also participating in the meeting will be representatives of local police departments and the American Automobile Association.

THE MEETING for patrolers will follow at 9:30 a.m. in the Little Theater at Seaboard. This meeting will use demonstrations and film to review with patrolers such things as correct signals, behavior and how to cross children safely under many types of conditions.

representatives of the press Monday that it was anticipated the first that would be ready for occupancy in early April.

"THE REMAINDER of the project will be completed in a series of four consecutive phases, each averaging a little over 400 apartment units," Stollman said.

Phase one, he said, will involve the construction of buildings in the southwestern portion of the property, approximately 600 feet north of Maple and facing Coolidge.

"Architectural plans call for all of the buildings to be two stories in height, with from four to eight apartments to each building," he said.

In addition to the apartment houses, plans call for the development of a shopping center at the intersection of Big Beaver and Coolidge. A professional office complex is being planned for the Maple-Coolidge corner.

ANOTHER of the shopping centers, Sam Frankel, said the principals of the commercial development would provide about 250,000 square feet of commercial space.

"We have not yet finalized plans for the commercial development; nor have we negotiated any leases," Frankel said.

Salt by the Ton Costs City Less

The price of salt has dropped—at least if you buy it by the ton. I.P.W. Supt. T. C. Brien told Birmingham city commissioners Monday night he had been informed by the International Salt Co. that the price of salt had dropped 37 cents per ton.

Since 32 tons of salt had already been purchased at \$4.40 per ton, Brien said the City would be refunded about \$11.

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Also planned for the 2,000-unit development is a central community house-recreation center, along with "three or more" swimming pools and a 9-hole golf course.

The architects of Somerset Park are Levine & Alpern, Detroit. The firm has been involved in the design of J. L. Hudson's Budget Stores, Eastland Village Apartments and a new apartment complex near Northland.

The developers expect the entire project to take from two to four years to complete.

Youth Group Elects Board, New Officers

A new slate of officers and a board of directors has been elected by the Birmingham Youth Assistance Committee.

Birmingham residents named to the board of directors were Roger Crummins, 1957 Birdwood; Mrs. Robert Frick, 8665 Westchester Way; Mrs. James Milford, 234 S. Hunter Blvd.; William E. Roberts, 745 Abbey; Mrs. Harvey Dier, 268 Argyle; Mrs. June McGregor, 1234 Maryland; Bowen Brook, 300 S. Woodward; and George Whitehead, 3065 Caswell.

New officers for the upcoming year are chairman, Eugene A. Moore, 235 Townsend; vice chairman, L.L. Robert Schaule of the Birmingham City Police; secretary, Mrs. McGregor; treasurer, Donald Martin, Birmingham city recreation director.

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W. Bloomfield LWV to Eye Public Welfare

The West Bloomfield League of Women Voters will hold two unit meetings this month and discuss the state item of public welfare.

The first meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Milton Green, 1565 Coldspring, at noon, Tuesday. The second meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Patrick Fink, 2020 West Bend Court, Orchard Lake, at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

After a year and a half of study on this item, Mrs. Glenn Johnson and her committee, Mrs. John Gearing, Mrs. Ivan Forbe, and Mrs. William Setoos are preparing for consensus in January.

They are concentrating primarily on the dual relief structure which is direct local relief through the Department of Social Aid, and federal state aid through the state public welfare and its problems such as A.D.C.

THE MEETINGS will be devoted to discussion and agreement on the main question: Do we support a unified system of public welfare administration? (This question will be before the state legislature this year.)

To what degree should local, state, and federal government be responsible for financing these programs? Should public welfare be just a dole or should it provide services?

The 1962 Amendments to the public welfare program also will be discussed. Members and guests are welcome.

'07 Paper Shows B'ham Publishers Are Forging

The Eccentric's first publishers, Almoner Whitehead and George Mitchell, were reported to have a change of heart in the Oct. 11, 1907, issue of The Detroit Journal. A copy of the paper was found behind a broken mirror at Camp Niasokone in Oskoda by Chester McLemore, in charge of the youth department at the Birmingham YMCA.

The yellowed paper included a story, dateline from Birmingham, headlined "Victims Ask Parole of Thief."

"SPECIAL — Fred F. Zillman, serving time in the Michigan reformatory on a charge of stealing printing material from Whitehead and Mitchell, publishers, is about to be paroled by request of his accusers.

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